

## Calendar No. 399

104<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION**H. R. 2853****[Report No. 104-265]**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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MAY 9, 1996

Reported by Mr. ROTH, without amendment

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**AN ACT**

To authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Bulgaria.

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2        *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3        **SECTION 1. CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS AND SUPPLE-**  
4        **MENTAL ACTION.**

5        (a) CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.—The Congress finds  
6        that Bulgaria—

7                (1) has received most-favored-nation treatment  
8        since 1991 and has been found to be in full compli-

1       ance with the freedom of emigration requirements  
2       under title IV of the Trade Act of 1974 since 1993;

3               (2) has reversed many years of Communist dic-  
4       tatorship and instituted a constitutional republic  
5       ruled by a democratically elected government as well  
6       as basic market-oriented reforms, including privat-  
7       ization;

8               (3) is in the process of acceding to the General  
9       Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and the  
10      World Trade Organization (WTO), and extension of  
11      unconditional most-favored-nation treatment would  
12      enable the United States to avail itself of all rights  
13      under the GATT and the WTO with respect to Bul-  
14      garia; and

15              (4) has demonstrated a strong desire to build  
16      friendly relationships and to cooperate fully with the  
17      United States on trade matters.

18      (b) SUPPLEMENTAL ACTION.—The Congress notes  
19      that the United States Trade Representative intends to  
20      negotiate with Bulgaria in order to preserve the commit-  
21      ments of that country under the bilateral commercial  
22      agreement in effect between that country and the United  
23      States that are consistent with the GATT and the WTO.

1 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV OF**  
2 **THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 TO BULGARIA.**

3 (a) **PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATIONS AND EXTEN-**  
4 **SION OF NONDISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT.**—Notwith-  
5 standing any provision of title IV of the Trade Act of 1974  
6 (19 U.S.C. 2431 et seq.), the President may—

7 (1) determine that such title should no longer  
8 apply to Bulgaria; and

9 (2) after making a determination under para-  
10 graph (1) with respect to Bulgaria, proclaim the ex-  
11 tension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-  
12 favored-nation treatment) to the products of that  
13 country.

14 (b) **TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV.**—  
15 On and after the effective date of the extension under sub-  
16 section (a)(2) of nondiscriminatory treatment to the prod-  
17 ucts of Bulgaria, title IV of the Trade Act of 1974 shall  
18 cease to apply to that country.

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